

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A door lock device, comprising:
 - a latch mechanism provided at a vehicle door and engageable with or disengageable from a striker provided at a vehicle body;
 - a lift lever for operating the latch mechanism from an engaged state to a disengaged state by engaging with or disengaging from the striker;
 - an open lever movable from an initial position to an operating position by operation of a door opening member provided at the vehicle door;
 - a lock lever movable between an unlocked position and a locked position by operation of a door locking/unlocking member provided at the vehicle door;
 - an open member movable between the unlocked position in which the open member engages with the lift lever in one direction by movement of the open lever ~~in one direction thereby allowing to move~~ the lift lever operable and the locked position in which the open member idly engages with the lift lever by movement of the open lever and then becomes engaged with the lift lever in ~~the other~~ another direction ~~thereby prohibiting the lift lever operable~~ when the open member is switched to toward the unlocked position from the locked position without causing the lift lever to move in a manner resulting in operation of the latch mechanism; and

a biasing member for biasing the open member ~~from the locked position to~~ toward the unlocked position;

a base, wherein the open lever is rotatably supported at a first rotational center relative to the base, the open member is rotatably supported at a second rotational center relative to the open lever, and the biasing member is a torsion spring supported at the first rotational center, in which one end of the spring is engaged with the base and the other end of the spring is engaged with an engaging portion provided on the open member at a position spaced from the second rotational center; and

wherein when the lock lever is moved from the unlocked position to the locked position, the open member is moved from the unlocked position to the locked position with the lock lever engaging ~~with~~ the open member, and when the lock lever is moved from the locked position to the unlocked position, the open member ~~can~~ relatively is movable relative to the lock lever.

2 (Currently Amended) A door lock device, according to claim 1, wherein the biasing member ~~for biasing~~ also biases the open lever ~~to~~ toward the initial position ~~from the operating position~~.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) A door lock device, according to claim 1, wherein the lock lever includes a guide arm connecting the ~~link~~ open member and the lock lever ~~in order to~~ and permitting the open member to be biased toward the unlocked

position by the biasing member when the lock lever is moved from the locked position to the unlocked position.

5. (Currently Amended) A door lock device, according to claim 1, wherein the open member includes a link member receiving an operation force from the open lever and engageable with the lift lever, and an elastic member connecting the link member and the lock lever and urging the open member toward the unlocked position ~~in order to~~ when the lock lever is moved from the locked position to the unlocked position.